

SECTION 3

Demand Conformance

3.1 Introduction

As of January 1, 2000, the California Energy Commission (CEC) is no longer required to determine if a proposed project conforms with an integrated assessment of need. Senate Bill 110, which took effect on January 1, 2000 (Cal. Const. Art. 4, Section 8.), states:

“Before the California electricity industry was restructured the regulated cost recovery framework for power plants justified requiring the commission to determine the need for new generation, and site only power plants for which need was established. Now that power plant owners are at risk to recover their investments, it is no longer appropriate to make this determination.”